(a) whether all vehicles operating in the National Capital Territory, other than three wheelers, are likely to be provided with speed governors compulsorily;

(b) whether police strength is quite inadequate to regulate the traffic and as per Delhi Traffic Police Commissioner only two hands are doing the job of 20 hands;

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) what steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS : (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) In exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 118 of Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 the Government issued a notification dated 24th September, 2001 specifying that all transport vehicles, other than three wheelers and motor cabs, operating in National Capital Territory of Delhi shall be fitted with a Speed Governor approved by authorised testing agencies.

(b) to (d) In order to strengthen the Traffic Unit of Delhi Police, 1255 additional posts in various ranks were created by the Government about three years back. The other steps taken to improve the traffic management include use of radar guns, interceptors and red speed cameras for checking over-speeding, red light jumping and enforcement of land discipline; use of alcometer to check drunken driving; analysis of road accidents for identification of their actual cause so as to take remedial measures; imparting education to the public about traffic rules and safety norms; and setting up of traffic training parks for educating school children.

Water Dispute between Haryana and Punjab

820. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the latest development in respect of Haryana-Punjab river water dispute; and

(b) what initiative is being taken by Government to have it settled amicably before it assumes the menacing proportion of Karnataka-Tamil Nadu wrangle?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) and (b) The dispute in regard to adjudicating the shares of Punjab and Haryana in surplus Ravi Beas waters is under the consideration of the Ravi & Beas Waters Tribunal, constituted by the

Government and the matter is presently sub judice. There is a dispute between Punjab and Haryana on the completion of the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal, which is the system that would convey to Haryana its share of Ravi Beas waters. The Supreme Court in its judgement of 15-1-2002 has directed the State of Punjab to complete the canal within one year. The Central Government has been pursuing the matter with the Government of Punjab.

Killings in Police Custody in Gujarat

821. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been instances where alleged terrorists in police custody have been killed by the Gujarat Police in the past one year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and circumstances thereon;

(c) whether Government have asked for any reports on these incidents;

(d) if so, the salient features of these reports;

(e) if not, the reason therefor; and

(f) in absence of SHRC in Gujarat whether these have been referred to the NHRC by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS : (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) and (b) The National Human Rights Commission has issued instructions dated 14-12-1993 to every State/UT Government to intimate the Commission within 24 hours of the incident of death/ rape in custody. Pursuant to the said instructions, NHRC has received 10 intimations regarding deaths in police custody from the State of Gujarat during the last one year from 1-11-2001 to 31-10-2002. Details of the 10 cases of custodial deaths are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) to (e) NHRC has called for reports and after examination of the reports, will send suitable recommendations to the State Government. It is for the State Government to act on the recommendations.

(f) Under the instructions dated 14-12-1993, issued by NHRC, every State/ UT Government is required to intimate the incident of death/rape in custody within 24 hours of its occurrence to the Commission.